

### Use History Validation

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Director General  
Value and Sustainability Assessment Directorate  
Pest Management Regulatory Agency  
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Subject: Validation of use history

This is to validate the use history supplied by **MiteGone Pads**.....to support the use of Formic Acid (65 %) to control the following pests Varroa & Tracheal Mites. on the following crops: .....Honey Bee Colonies.....

*Please provide explanation regarding the performance of the product for the use being proposed for registration.*

I have been using MiteGone Pads with 65% formic acid on our honey bee colonies for the past ten years. Formic acid delivered with this system has provided our Apiaries with an effective, dependable control of the pests. It is a simple system for the application of the acid, and is very field useful when taken commercially in bee yards. It is clean and user friendly avoiding the environmental dangers from other products, Formic acid applied with the Mitegone system does not appear to have any resistance issues that other products (e.g.Apistan) have.

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Experience with commodity: *(Why do you consider yourself qualified to validate the use history?)*

Kaye's Bees Apiary is a family owned business, operating 300 honeybee colonies in the Okanagan valley of BC We have used Mitegone pads with 65% formic acid for the past ten years giving us a natural effective control of the pests, when used according to the manufacturer's directions.

Yours truly,

R W (Bob Chisholm)  
Owner, Kaye's Bees Apiary  
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